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FOR: INTRINSIC FABRY-PEROT OPTICAL FIBER SENSORS AND
THEIR MULTIPLEXING

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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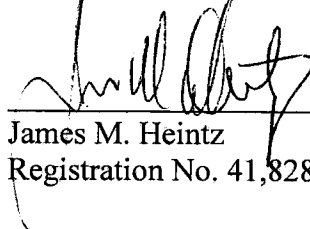
The Applicant acknowledges the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

The Applicant respectfully notes that one of the several reasons identified by the examiner for the allowance of claim 41, namely, "wherein the Fabry-Perot cavities are designed such that a cavity length varies only over a quasi-linear range of a half fringe under conditions to which the Fabry-Perot cavities are exposed," is not a limitation of claim 41. Applicant respectfully submits that claim 41 is patentable over Cielo for the other reasons identified in the Reasons for Allowance.

This application remains in condition for allowance, the Issue Fee being paid herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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